

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 244

BY SENATOR MILKOVICH

HUNTERS/HUNTING. Allows year-round nighttime hunting of feral hogs and coyotes on private property. (8/1/16)

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:116.1(D)(2), relative to taking of outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, and beaver; to allow the nighttime taking of feral hogs and coyotes at any time throughout the year; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 56:116.1(D)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§116.1. Wild birds and wild quadrupeds; times and methods of taking; penalties

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D.(1) \* \* \*

(2) On private property, the landowner, or his lessee or agent with written permission and the landowner's contact information in his possession, may take outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, or beaver during nighttime hours from one-half hour after official sunset on the last day of February to one-half hour after official sunset the last day of August of that same year; **and, except for the use of dogs at night during the period from September first through the last day of February, may take feral hogs and coyotes by any means at any time of the year during nighttime hours.** Such taking may be with or without the aid of artificial light,

1 infrared or laser sighting devices, or night vision devices. Any person attempting to  
2 take outlaw quadrupeds under the provisions of this Paragraph, within twenty-four  
3 hours prior to the attempted taking, shall notify the sheriff of the parish in which the  
4 property is located of his intention to attempt to take outlaw quadrupeds under the  
5 provisions of this Paragraph.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

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	DIGEST	
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Present law allows taking of outlaw quadrupeds, nutria, and beaver on private property at night by the landowner or lessee or agent with written permission and the landowner's contact information on his person. Such taking is limited to the period of time from the last day of Feb. to the last day of Aug. each year.

Proposed law allows the nighttime taking of feral hogs and coyotes by any means, except with the use of dogs from Sept.1 through the last day of Feb., on private property by the landowner or lessee or agent at any time of the year.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 56:116.1(D)(2))